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1. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT FINAL PARA OF PROPOSED AIDE
MEMOIRE (PARA 2, REFTTEL) BE REVISED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE THE ORIGINAL OAS RESOLUTION OF THE NINTH MEETING OF
FOREIGN MINISTERS IN 1964, WHICH CALLED FOR STATES
SIGNATORY TO RIO TREATY TO SEVER RELATIONS AND TIES WITH
CUBA - INCLUDING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, TRADE AND TRANS-
PORTATION - IN LIGHT OF THE LATTER'S AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS
AGAINST HEMISPHERE SECURITY, WAS PASSED PURSUANT TO
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ARTICLES 6 AND 8 OF THE INTER-AMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL

ASSISTANCE (RIO TREATY) BY MORE THAN THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE
REQUIRED FOR ACTIONS UNDER THAT AGREEMENT. IT IS CLEAR THAT
ANY REPEAL OR MODIFICATION OF THE DECISION OF THE NINTH
MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS CAN ONLY BE MADE BY A SIMILAR
TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE SIGNATORY STATES ACTING UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF THE RIO TREATY. ATEMPTS TO AMEND RIO TREATY
ACTIONS BY OTHER MEANS, SUCH AS A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE
PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE OAS, MAY SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE THE
INTEGRITY OF THE TREATY. UNQUOTE. RUSH

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